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*Victoria United have found talent in their youth pool and continue to have successful Y-League affiliated teams. 18 year-old, left-winger **Dan Cumming** has impressed with his gutsy, skilled and fit performances. Cumming's ability to run at opponents and strike accurately have confirmed coach **Dante Zanetta's** faith in the young winger as he heads stateside for College —CR*

Scott and Moore lead Victoria Utd to title



UNITED WE FALL: June 25, Victoria took a wee tumble here but got right back up to deal Whitecaps Reserve a 1-0 loss. Both clubs occupy first place in their respective divisions

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In the 12 games beginning June until press time, **Victoria United** posted an excellent record of 8-3-1, losing only once to **New West Khalsa**, June 5, and winning the **PCSL** league on 36 points, narrowly beating out opposition from **Whitecaps Reserves**, **Khalsa**, **Fraser Valley Action** and **Seattle**

Hibernian. For the first time since the 1966-67 season, United have repeated as champions and now have the right to defend its position as **J.F Kennedy** and **Anderson Cup** holders as well.

United finished its season on the road with matches against **Kamloops**, **Fraser Valley**, **Surrey** and **Skagit**. United impressed with 19 goals in the final four matches and impressive six-goal scorelines in three of those. For the first time in the season, United managed to top the combined league table only on the last weekend of play as **Whitecaps Reserves** and **Seattle**

played to a draw and **Khalsa** were downed by a determined **Fraser Valley**.

Great Scott!

Much of United's laurels must be given to their ginger striker **Steven Scott**. From **Sooke Celtic** in **VISL Div. 2**, Scott has given excellent performances throughout the season, often

coming off the bench to score match winners. Scott potted an incredible 15 goals in 12 games to lead both United and the **PCSL** in scoring. In United's final match against **Skagit Rapids**, Scott rounded off his tally with a hattrick, finishing one goal clear of **Andrew Corazza** of **Whitecaps Reserves**.

Moore of a good thing

If Scott was United's goalscoring touchstone then **Will Moore** (see p.19) was its playmaking keystone. Moore's strength and intelligence on the ball pulled United into many a match and kept them there throughout the season. Having won **CIAU** laurels with **UVIC** and featuring prominently in the **BC All-stars** lineup against **Sunderland**, Moore has had in an incredibly consistent year. His ability to dominate midfield, often together with the industrious **Kevin Mennie**, is due to his uncompromising physical presence in defence, unflagging pace in transition and composed playmaking in offence.

Moore's ability to accurately hit dead balls has added considerable danger to United set-

plays. Most notably, July 2 against **Khalsa**, Moore single-handedly brought United into the match after leathering a 40-yard free-kick directly onto **Dean Anderson's** head at the back post. Moore also set up an identical second goal minutes later.

In defense, United's **Rob Veenhoff**, **Dean Anderson**, **Paul Vandenboomen** and **Dave Gustar** have all produced great seasons. Another **UVIC** player, Veenhoff, can organise defenders against almost any opposition, as evidenced by his display against **Sunderland**. Anderson has proven a scoring threat on deep crosses as well as a stalwart defender. Vandenboomen and Gustar provided excellent dynamism from the deep flanks.

It has been an excellent year for football in Victoria as titles have been taken at University and **PCSL** levels, as well as excellent showings for United men in **BC All-star** uniforms. Ahead of the **2007 WYC**, Victoria has stoked the fires with strong local support and talent representing **BC** well, as a football haven.

Congratulations to **Victoria United** on winning the **PCSL** for a second consecutive season and good luck in their pursuit of yet another impressive **Triple Crown**. ●